

**DECLARATION UNDER 35 USC §371(c)(4) FOR
PCT APPLICATION FOR UNITED STATES PATENT**

米国特許向けPCT出願用米国法第35章371条(c)(4)項に基づく特許出願宣言書

Japanese Language Declaration

私は、下欄に氏名を記載した発明者として、以下のとおり宣言する：

私の住所、郵便宛先および国籍は、下欄に氏名に続いて記載したとおりである。

下記名称の発明に関し、特許請求の範囲に記載し、特許を求める主題の本来の、最初にして唯一の発明者である(一人の氏名のみが下欄に記載されている場合)か、もしくは本来の、最初にして共同の発明者である(複数の氏名が下欄に記載されている場合)と信ずる。

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I verily believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought, namely the invention entitled:

PROTECTIVE ELEMENT

前記発明は下記番号および提出日を有する国際出願として記載および請求されたものである。

described and claimed in the international application with the following number and filing date:

Number (番号): PCT/JP2003/015604

Filing Date (提出日): 05/12/2003

私は、特許請求項(前記に補正が記載されている際、それをも含む)を含む前記明細書の内容を検討し、理解したことを陳述する。

私は、連邦施行規則第37章第1条第56項に従い、本願の特許性について重要な情報を特許庁に開示すべき義務を有することを認める。

米国法第35章第119条に基づき、私の国際出願提出される前の一年前以内に私もしくは法廷代理人もしくは譲渡人が提出した下記の外国特許出願の外国優先権利益を主張する：

I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations §1.56.

Under Title 35, United States Code §119, the priority benefits of the following foreign application(s) filed by me or my legal representatives or assigns within one year prior to my international application are hereby claimed:

Japanese Patent Application No.2002-382569 filed on December 27, 2002

この発明に関する特許もしくは発明者証用の下記の出願が、(a)私の国際出願提出される前の一年前以内もしくは(b)上記外国優先出願の提出日前に米国以外の国で提出されたものである：

The following application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate on this invention were filed in countries foreign to the United States of America either (a) more than one year prior to my international application, or (b) before the filing date of the above-named foreign priority application(s):

この出願に関する書類送付先は下欄のとおりである:

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THIS APPLICATION SHOULD BE SENT TO:

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私は、この特許出願宣言書の内容を検討し、理解し、ここに自己の知識に基づいて行った陳述がすべて真実であり、自己の有する情報および信ずるところに従って行った陳述が真実であると信じ、さらに故意に虚偽の陳述等を行った場合、米国法第18章第1001条により、罰金もしくは禁錮に処せられるか、またはこれらの刑が併科され、またかかる故意による虚偽の陳述が本願ないし本願に対して付与される特許の有効性を損なうことがあることを認識して、以上の陳述を行ったことを宣言する。

I hereby declare that I have reviewed and understand the contents of this Declaration, and that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Full name of sole or first inventor/単独または第一発明者の氏名

Yuuji FURUUCHI

Inventor's signature/同発明者の署名

Date/日付

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第二又はそれ以降の共同発明者に対しても同様な情報および署名を提供すること

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Yuji FURUUCHI

Application No.: New U.S. Patent Application

Filed: June 8, 2005

Docket No.: 124167

For: PROTECTIVE ELEMENT

**TRANSMITTAL OF POWER OF ATTORNEY AND
STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 3.73(b)**

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Submitted herewith is a Power of Attorney from the Assignee.

In compliance with 37 CFR §3.73(b), the undersigned hereby states that SONY CHEMICALS CORP. is the assignee of the entire right, title and interest in the patent application identified above by virtue of an assignment from the inventor of the patent application identified above. A copy of the assignment is attached hereto.

The undersigned is authorized to act on behalf of the assignee.

In accordance with 37 CFR §1.36(a), submission of this Power of Attorney revokes any powers of attorney previously given.

ALL CORRESPONDENCE IN CONNECTION WITH THIS APPLICATION SHOULD BE SENT TO OLIFF & BERRIDGE, PLC, CUSTOMER NO. 25944, TELEPHONE (703) 836-6400.

Respectfully submitted,



Eric D. Morehouse
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Date: June 8, 2005

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**GENERAL POWER OF ATTORNEY
TO PROSECUTE APPLICATIONS BEFORE
THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Sir:

Assignee Name and Address: SONY CHEMICALS CORP.
Gate City Osaki, East Tower 8F, 1-11-2,
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appoints the patent practitioners associated with Oliff & Berridge, PLC Customer Number 25944 to represent it before the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with any and all U.S. patent applications assigned to the above-named assignee.

The undersigned is authorized to act on behalf of the assignee.

ALL CORRESPONDENCE IN CONNECTION WITH THIS APPLICATION SHOULD BE SENT TO OLIFF & BERRIDGE, PLC, CUSTOMER NO. 25944, TELEPHONE (703) 836-6400.

December 6, 2004
Date

Signature



Typed Name: Seiichi TSUKIOKA

Title: President of SONY CHEMICALS CORP.

ASSIGNMENT

(1-8) Insert Name(s) of Inventor(s)

(1) Yuji FURUUCHI (5) _____
(2) _____ (6) _____
(3) _____ (7) _____ and
(4) _____ (8) _____

In consideration of the sum of one dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable considerations paid to each of the undersigned, the undersigned agree(s) to assign, and hereby does assign, transfer and set over to

(9) Insert Name of Assignee

(9) SONY CHEMICALS CORP.

(10) Insert Address of Assignee

(10) Gate City Osaki East Tower 8F, 1-11-2, Osaki, Shinagawa-ku, Tokyo 141-0032 Japan

(hereinafter designated as the Assignee) the entire right, title and interest for the United States of America as defined in 35 U.S.C. §100, in the invention, and in all applications for patent including any and all divisions, continuations, substitutes, and reissues, and all Letters Patent, extensions, reissues and reexamination certificates that may be granted on the invention known as

(11) Insert Identification, such as Title, Case Number or Foreign Application Number

(11) PCT/JP2003/015604 filed on December 5, 2003
(Case No. _____)

for which the undersigned has (have) executed an application for patent in the United States of America

(12) Insert Date of Signing of Application

(12) on May 23, 2005

(13) Alternative Identification for filed applications

(13) U.S. application Serial Number _____
filed _____

1) The undersigned agree(s) to execute all papers necessary in connection with the application and any continuing, divisional or reissue applications for the invention and also to execute separate assignments in connection with such applications as the Assignee may deem necessary.

2) The undersigned agree(s) to execute all papers necessary in connection with any interference which may be declared concerning this application or continuation or division thereof and to cooperate with the Assignee in every way possible in obtaining evidence and going forward with such interference.

3) The undersigned agree(s) to execute all papers and documents and perform any act which may be necessary in connection with claims or provisions of the International Convention for Protection of Industrial Property or similar agreements.

4) The undersigned agree(s) to perform all affirmative acts which may be necessary to obtain or confirm by reissue or reexamination a grant of a valid United States patent to the Assignee.

5) The undersigned hereby authorize(s) and request(s) the Commissioner of Patents to issue any and all Letters Patents of the United States resulting from said application or any divisional, continuing or reissue applications to the said Assignee, as Assignee of the entire interest, and hereby covenants that he has (they have) full right to convey the entire interest herein assigned, and that he has (they have) not executed, and will not execute, any agreements in conflict herewith.

6) The undersigned hereby grant(s) the firm of OLIFF & BERRIDGE the power to insert on this assignment any further identification which may be necessary or desirable in order to comply with the rules of the United States Patent and Trademark Office for recordation of this document.

In witness whereof, executed by the undersigned on the date(s) opposite the undersigned name(s).

Date May 23, 2005 Name of Inventor Yuji Furuuchi Yuji FURUUCHI (SEAL)
Date _____ Name of Inventor _____ (SEAL)

This assignment should preferably be signed before: (a) a Notary Public if within the U.S.A. (b) a U.S. Consul if outside the U.S.A. If neither, then it should be signed before at least two witnesses who also sign here:

Date May 23, 2005 Witness Jakobi Murayama
Date _____ Witness _____

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